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FM AMCONSUL LENINGRAD
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4131
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CASC, PINT, PINS, UR
SUBJECT: APPROACHES FROM A SOVIET CITIZEN WITH APPEALS
FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION
REF: (A) MOSCOW 03804, (B) LENINGRAD 719

1. REFTELS REPORT SIMILAR INCIDENTS ON 2 AND 5 MARCH
AT WHICH AMERICAN TOURISTS, DEPENDENT TEENAGE CHILDREN
OF U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL IN BERLIN, AND A MOSCOW
EMBASSY OFFICER, WERE APPROACHED AT ST. ISAAC'S
CATHEDRAL IN LENINGRAD TO CARRY LETTERS WITH THEM OUT
OF THE COUNTRY. FROM INFORMATION IN REFTEL A AND FROM
ACCOUNT OF REFTEL B INCIDENT TO CONGENOFF, SOURCE OF
LETTERS IS ONE AND THE SAME, ONE IL'YA SHEMER OF
YAROSLAVL'.

2' REFTEL B LETTERS WERE PASSED TO CONGEN FOR DISPO-
SITION. THEY ARE, RESPECTIVELY, AN OPEN LETTER TO THE
PEOPLE OF SPAIN AND TO THE PEOPLE OF ITALY. IN THE
LETTERS SHEMER ASKS FOR ASSISTANCE TO ESCAPE FROM SOVIET
OPPRESSION AND TO PURSUE HIS GOD-GIVEN VOCATION AS A
PROFESSIONAL READER THROUGH PUBLICATION OF HIS LETTERS
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ABROAD. SHEMER WRITES THAT HE WISHES TO LIVE AMONG
PEOPLE WHO HE KNOWS FROM HIS EXTENSIVE READING OF THE
CLASSICS ARE HIS SPIRITUAL KINFOLK. BUCHANAN

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